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## **Ninth Circuit, Law Schools See Educational Opportunity in Arizona Immigration Case**

**SAN FRANCISCO** – A live cable television broadcast and realtime video streaming provided by the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit will allow a vast audience to see and hear the attorneys who will argue the constitutionality of Arizona’s contested immigration law next week in San Francisco.

Oral arguments in *USA v. State of Arizona*, Case No. 10-16645, will be made before a panel of three Ninth Circuit judges on Monday, November 1, 2010, beginning at 9 a.m. (Pacific time) at the James R. Browning U.S. Courthouse. The proceeding will be carried live on C-SPAN Channel One and video streamed by the court to remote viewing locations scattered across the country.

Among the remote viewing locations are a dozen of the nation’s top law schools, which have set aside spaces for their students to observe a case that has drawn national and international attention for its possible effect on future immigration enforcement in the United States.

“Law students around the country will have a chance to see an important case with constitutional implications argued before a federal court. It’s a great educational outreach opportunity,” said Cathy Catterson, circuit and court of appeals executive.

Law schools involved in the effort are New York University School of Law; Yale Law School; Harvard Law School; the Georgetown University Law Center; the University of Virginia School of Law; the University of Chicago Law School; Northwestern University Law School; the University of Texas School of Law; the Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law at Arizona State University; the James E. Rogers College of Law at the University of Arizona; Stanford Law School; and the University of California at Los Angeles School of Law.

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A number of the schools will display a live video stream provided by the court using its own systems. Video streams also are being delivered to federal courts in Pasadena, California, Portland, Oregon, Seattle, Washington, Phoenix and Tucson, Arizona, New York and Boston.

*USA v. State of Arizona* involves the constitutionality of Arizona Senate Bill 1070, which requires state law enforcement officers to check a person's immigration status under certain circumstances, and authorizes a warrantless arrest where there is probable cause to believe that the person has committed an offense making him/her removable from the United States. The U.S. government, arguing that SB 1070 was preempted by federal statutes, sought a preliminary injunction to block enforcement of the law. The preliminary injunction was granted in part and denied in part by the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona. The State of Arizona and its governor have appealed, seeking to remove the injunction imposed by the district court on certain portions of SB 1070. Other provisions of the law not subject to the injunction went into effect July 29, 2010.

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals hears appeals of cases decided by executive branch agencies and federal trial courts in nine western states and two Pacific Island jurisdictions. The court normally meets monthly in Seattle, San Francisco, and Pasadena; every other month in Portland, Oregon; three times per year in Honolulu, Hawaii; and twice a year in Anchorage, Alaska. A complete schedule of cases is available on the court website, [www.ca9.uscourts.gov](http://www.ca9.uscourts.gov)

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